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In re Application of: )  
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For: OPTIMIZATION METHOD FOR )  
POWER GENERATION SYSTEMS )  
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Sir:

**STATEMENT CONCERNING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

In an overabundance of caution, Applicants submit this Statement Concerning Small Entity Status ("Statement") in a good faith effort to fully comply with their obligations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(g)(2) to notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Until such time as Applicants provide the USPTO with notice to the contrary, Applicants will discontinue asserting their right to claim small entity status and pay small entity fees.

This Statement is not intended to be construed as an indication that Applicants are necessarily no longer eligible to claim small entity status, that there has necessarily been any change in Applicants' status that would result in Applicants no longer being able to claim small entity status, or that Applicants have necessarily lost their right to claim small entity status. In fact, Applicants believe that they have been eligible to claim small entity status and that they continue to be eligible to claim small entity status. By

this Statement and by Applicants payment of large entity fees, Applicants have merely chosen to no longer assert their right to claim small entity status and pay small entity fees.

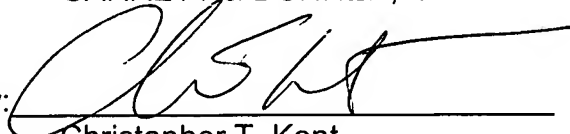
Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this Statement and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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